

REMARKS

A Restriction has been requested among the following two groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-50;
- II. Claims 51 and 52.

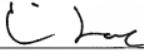
Applicant elects Group I, corresponding to claims 1-50. The present election is made without prejudice to rejoin the non-elected claims in the application upon allowance of one or more of the elected claims by including the limitations of an allowed claim in the withdrawn claims, or to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter.

It is noted that the claim amendments are intended to conform to the claims in the predecessor PCT application.

In view of the foregoing comments, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for examination. If necessary, the Commissioner is authorized in this and concurrent replies to charge payment (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-2298 for any additional required fees.

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